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SUBJECT: TITLE V OF THE TRADE ACT

REFERENCE: JAKARTA 1521

1. APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN AND WOULD HAVE WISHED TO BE
MORE HELPFUL SOONER. UNFORTUNATELY QUESTION OF HOW
TO APPROACH OPEC EXCLUSION OF TRADE ACT HAS NOT PROGRESSED
BEYOND INFORMATION CONTAINED STATE 18007. PROBLEM OF
MAKING STATEMENT ON INDONESIA HERE AS YOU SUGGEST IS
THAT IT MIGHT ELICIT FURTHER QUESTIONS RE OTHER OIL
PRODUCING COUNTRIES WHICH WE ARE NOT YET PREPARED TO ANSWER
FOR THIS REASON, WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOU GO AHEAD AND
ISSUE STATEMENT IN JAKARTA DRAWING FROM PRESIDENT'S
STATEMENT AT TIME OF SIGNING OF TRADE BILL (STATE 1804),
FURTHER GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN STATE 5883, PARA 4, AND
USING LANGUAGE YOU SUGGEST IN REFTEL POSSIBLY MODIFYING
IT FOR JAKARTA AUDIENCE (E.G., ELIMINATE FIRST SENTENCE).
WE WOULD ALSO PREFER "ECONOMIC" IN LIEU OF "TRADE"
DISCUSSIONS IN REFERENCE TO ASEAN. INGERSOLL

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